Introduced by Senator Aanestad

February 22, 2005

An act to add Section 1634.1 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to dentistry.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 683, as introduced, Aanestad. Dentistry: licensure.

Existing law provides for the licensing and regulation of dentists by the Dental Board of California, in the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law requires an applicant for licensure to meet specified requirements, including passage of a dental licensure examination, with specified exceptions.

This bill would also require the board to grant a license to an applicant who passes an examination in California law and ethics and who meets specified education and residency requirements.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 1634.1 is added to the Business and 2 Professions Code, to read:
- 3 1634.1. Notwithstanding Section 1634, the board may grant a
- 4 license to practice dentistry to an applicant who submits all of the
- 5 following to the board:
- 6 (a) A completed application form and all fees required by the board.
- 8 (b) Satisfactory evidence of having graduated from a dental
- 9 school approved by the board or by the Commission on Dental
- 10 Accreditation of the American Dental Association.

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 (c) Satisfactory evidence of having completed a clinically based postdoctoral general practice or specialty dental residency program, of at least one year's duration, in a hospital or dental facility accredited for teaching purposes by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association or a national accrediting body approved by the board, except that any residency program shall include a formal outcome assessment evaluation of the resident's competence to practice dentistry acceptable to the board.

- (d) Satisfactory evidence of having successfully completed an examination in California law and ethics.
- (e) Proof that the applicant has not failed the examination for licensure to practice dentistry under this chapter within five years prior to the date of his or her application for a license under this chapter.